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IN THE MATTER OF the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473

and

An Application by Squamish Gas Co. Ltd. for Approval to Pass-Through Natural Gas Rate Changes

BEFORE:	P. Ostergaard, Chair L.R. Barr, Deputy Chair K.L. Hall, Commissioner F.C. Leighton, Commissioner P.G. Bradley, Commissioner)))	March 3, 1998
	P.G. Bradley, Commissioner)	

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On February 12 and 23, 1998, Squamish Gas Co. Ltd. ("Squamish Gas") applied to the Commission for approval of natural gas rate changes to be effective March 1, 1998 and to be consistent with the rates approved by Orders No. G-14-98 and G-20-98 for Centra Gas British Columbia Inc. ("Centra Gas"); and
- B. As a condition of the Special Direction, Centra Gas surveys local heating oil dealers and applies to the Commission when changes to the oil-based natural gas rates are required for Pioneer Customers under its Closed Rate Schedules in the Vancouver Island and Sunshine Coast service areas; and
- C. Squamish Gas adopts the same rate changes for its oil-based natural gas rates as those approved for Centra Gas; and
- D. The Commission has reviewed the Squamish Gas applications and finds that approval is required.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. The Commission approves for Squamish Gas its February 12 and 23, 1998 applications for rate changes effective March 1, 1998.
- 2. Squamish Gas is to inform all customers of the March 1, 1998 rate changes by way of a Customer Notice included in the next billing.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 5th day of March, 1998.

BY ORDER

Original signed by:

Peter Ostergaard Chair